

The 5 Solas (Sola Scriptura/Scripture Alone)

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TEXT - 2 Tim.3:16-17

Mt.28:19-20; 1 Cor 15:1-4; Rom.1:16-17

Salvation is by grace alone (Sola Gratia), through faith alone (Sola Fide), in Christ alone (Solus Christus), for the glory of God alone (Soli Deo Gloria), as revealed in Scripture alone (Sola Scriptura). **2 Tim. 3:16-17**

God's word is inspired. **Ps.19:7-11**

God's word is inerrant; it is absolute truth. **Prov.30:5; Jn. 17:17**

God's word is infallible, Incapable of error. **Ps. 119:160**

God's word is sufficient. **Ps.40:8**

Sola Scriptura means that Scripture contains all the words of God He intended His people to have at each stage of redemptive history, and that it now contains all the words of God we need for salvation, and for trusting and obeying Him.

The New Hampshire Baptist Confession (1833)—*We believe that the Holy Bible was written by men divinely inspired, and is a perfect treasure of heavenly instruction; that has God for its author, salvation for its end, and truth without any mixture of error for its matter; that it reveals the principles by which God will judge us; and therefore is, and shall remain until the end of the world, the true center of Christian union, and the supreme standard by which all human conduct, creeds, and opinions should be tried.*

Deut. 4:2; 1 Pet. 1:23-24

1. Scripture is sufficient for learning all that God has said on particular topics and through Scripture we can find answers to our questions (See 2 Pet. 1:3-4).

Through a proper study of the Bible, it is possible to find all the biblical passages that are relevant to specific areas such as: marriage, parenting, divorce, conduct at work or at home etc. **1 Cor. 6:9-11**

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2. The amount of Scripture given was sufficient at each stage of redemptive history. (See Deut. 29:29). God gave His people His Word at each period of redemptive history, fully supplying what they needed in order to honor and obey Him. Whenever they needed further instruction God revealed it, no more and no less. **Jn. 21:25**

Prov. 30:5-6

- We should be encouraged that everything God wants to tell us about particular subjects or issues is to be found in Scripture.
- We are to add nothing to Scripture, and we are to consider no other writings of equal value to Scripture.
- God doesn't require us to believe anything about Himself or His redemptive work that isn't found in Scripture. **John 3:16-21.**
- No modern revelations from God are to be placed on a level equal to Scripture's authority.
- Nothing is sin that is not forbidden by Scripture either explicitly or by implication. **1 Cor. 10:31**
- Nothing is required by God that is not commanded in Scripture. **Ps. 119:165**
- We should emphasize what Scripture emphasizes and be content with what God has told us in Scripture (**Deut. 29:29**).

Charles Spurgeon (1834-1892)—*Why, the Book has wrestled with me; the Book has smitten me; the Book has comforted me; the Book has smiled on me; the Book has frowned on me; the Book has clasped my hand; the Book has warmed my heart. The Book weeps with me and sings with me; it whispers to me, and it preaches to me; it maps my way, and holds up my goings; it is the Young Man's Best Companion, and is still my morning and evening Chaplain.*

CONCLUSION: Since Scripture alone is necessary for salvation, Christian living and knowing God's will let us:

****Make daily time in God's word our top priority (Rom.12:2).**

****Be doers of God's word to avoid deception and enjoy God's blessings (Jas.1:22-26).**